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VOL. I.

CLIPPINGS.

Dr. Mackay writes from Formoss, and and on the coast of Chins, that there as been an extraordinary turning from fols on the part of the people of Kelean. Nearly five hundred idolters clear. I their houses of idols in his presence, of gave him a temple, built for idols, a place of worship.

"The very principle of rightonuncer that moves the Northern friends of the Negro to educate and Christianize him, makes them demand that he shall not be robbed of the political privileges which the nation has given him, and which are smore the strongest influence in educating him to manhood and self-respect."—Christian Educator.

It required nearly ten years to build be first ten miles of the great railroad up the Congo river. But 'that was the worst part of the work, and now that it a finished the rest of the 235 mile railway around the Congo cataracts will be completed rapidly. This railway connects the upper and the lower Congo river, eitherto separated for purposes of commerce by the impassable cataracts. After the read shall be finished fabulous totunes will be grasspead by somebody, inst probably by the Society of the Upper Congo, that built the railroad.

ucy Booth, the youngest daughter of Booth, has publicly announced he ntion of going to India. She is to k among the slums. She proposes to

Bishop Keener stirred our hear's by his deliberate declaration, that if the Colored Methodist Episcopal church will through these institutes furnish the men, consecrated and educated, to go as missionaries to Africa with its 230,000,000 heathen, the Methodist Episcopal church, South, through its Board of Missions, will furnish the money to send and support them. This was commended to the consideration of the colored preachers at Lane Institute, and to the principal, Rev. T. F. Sanders—one of our body—who is doing a good work for the Master, educating ngt only preachers but teachers for the colored people. In the Bishop's declaration I believe there was the sowing of the seed which will yield an hundredfold in Africa's redemption and to God's glosy.—Christian Advocate.

"Rev. J. E. Shepherd, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, will lecture on Wednesday evening, 23rd inst., no the Free Cardoner's Hall, Busbey's Alley, on the Specific Identity, Moral, Social and Intellectual capacity of the Ne gro, compared with others.—Acts 17:26. Chair will be faken at 7:30 p. m. Admission, sixpence."

"Evangelist S. H. Bayley and five fe-male evangelists arrived on Sunday last, in the S. S. Trinidad, from New York. We welcome these brethren and trust they may have abundant success in mis-sion work. The harvest is ripe. Work-ers are needed."

ple take them to be. A woman in Kingpo said to a missionary: "Do not mentien the name of Jerus to me again. I
hate Him. You foreigners bring opium
in one hand and Jesus in the other." In
Africa the foreigner offers the black maBible with one hand and with the

every known language spoken amo men. Nay, the very house in whi Voltarie lived became a depository storing the Word for distribution!

A railroad beginning at Cape Town, Africa, has been completed for a thousand miles extending to the capital of the Transvaal Republic, and now a proposition to run a telegraph line through Africa from the Cape of Good Hope to Egypt is being seriously consluered.

Bishop Taylor proposes to enter Ma shousland, Africa. He sends Rev. E. H. Richards and wife as the pioneer advance

OUR MISSIONARY VOICE. \*

By Rev. J. M. Chavis, of South Caro

While spending a few days here in Atlanta, with Rt. Rev. Tarear, Lord Biab op of Africa and the West India Islands, at his pleasant home, where I was severy sumptuously entertained by his lordship, I had the pleasure of receiving an introduction to his scholarly seere tays, Mrs. C. E. Young, her perents, and Mrs. Josephine Frances Upshaw, the hishop's d-ughter, and her bright little girl—all of whom made it exceedingly pleasant for me. I cojoyed a grand time. But aside from all other enjoyments, I was the lately-born literary child, Voice or Missions, which, I believe, was timely the control of the

### Dr. Talmage on Weltten Sermons.

We are frequently in receipt of letters from young preachers, asking whether it is better to preach extemporaneously or from manuscript. We will tell them a little chapter from our personal experience. We entered the ministry with a mortal horror of extemporaneous speaking. Each week we wrote two sermons and a lecture all-out, from the text to the

After from the Cape of Good Hape to Record the Record

We crawled down the pulpit in a state We crawled down the pulpit in a state of exh laration; we never before saw such handsome davkness. The odor of the escaping gas was to us like "gales foam Araby." Did a frightened young man ever have such fortuente de iverance!—The providence was probably in tended to humble the trustees, yet the scared preacher took advantage of it. But after-we got home, we saw the wick-edness of being in such dread. As the Lard got us out of that predicament, we resolved never again to be corocred in one similar. Forthwith the thraldom was broken, we hope never again to be

Africa the foreigner off-rs the black massaid with one hand, and with the other a bottle of rum. As some one has assid: "Better, far better ourselves, he ven still from upon that he said: "The prientily lained for the paper, I think promises 10, odd circulation rety none. Every miliar to uncertainty of the paper, I think promises 10, odd can the West Coast."

The Prientily Islands fifty years ago hand not a native Christian; now there are more than 30,000 church members, who give from their scanty store \$15,000 annually for religious objects.

Luther's ten qualifications for the ministry will afrond food for thought." The said in carder. 2. He should be suce of what be togget. A good words of the paper with the togget. The should be sure of what be togget. A good words. 3. Good power of language. 4. A good words. 3. Good power of language. 4. A good words. 3. Good power of language. 4. A good words. 3. Good power of language. 4. A good words. 3. Good power of language. 4. A good words. 3. Good power of language. 4. A good words. 3. Good power of language. 4. A good words. 3. Good power of language. 4. A good words. 5. A good words. 5. A good words. 6. A good wo

### Letter From Rev. Geo. D. Decker.

ATLANTA. GEORGIA. FEBRUARY, 1893.

FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE, AFRICA, October 24th, 1892. RIGHT REV. H. M. TURNER, D. D., LL. D.

I enclosed a letter to my dear and hon-orable fried, Geo. T. Downing.
You will be surprised to see the change in my little place of worship. My con-gregation is increasing almost every Lord's Day and accessions to my church membership is very encouraging. We hope to see you soon, Bishop.
Your deagson,
Geo. Dove, Decker.

Receipts of the Government of Liberia

| From imports Exports Tonnage Light Anchorage Liquidation Shipping | 120,029<br>16,076<br>279<br>12<br>36<br>11,644<br>663 | 06<br>73<br>06<br>00<br>96 |
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Being an excess of receipts over the June quarter last year of \$10,285 91, an excess of disbursments over the June quarter last year of \$8,149.01, and an excess of the street of disbursments.

Easter Sabbath comes this year on April 2d, or the first Sabbath in April, a day which has been made sacred to the Departments of Missions. We intend to publish the amount of all moneys sent to the Missionary Department, with the names of the pastor of the churches where the said money is raised. Several pastors have already written, "Look out for a hundred dollars from my church;" others have said, "Look out for twenty-live," and still others have said, "We expet to send in fifty dollars." Let the A. M. E. church raise her missionary benners for once.

The Empire of Japan comprises nearly 13,000 cities, towns and villages, in which 40,000,000 people live.

### Letter from Rev. George D. Decker.

CIRCULAR ROAD, FREETOWN, [SIERRA LEONS, AFRICA, 11TH NOV., 1892. RIGHT REV. H. M. TURNER, D. D. L. L. D.: Rev. and Very Dear Father.—I went

### Letier from Rev. J. P. Lindsey.

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# HE MADE WAR ON SLAVERY.

Cardinal Lavigerie's Life-Long Cru-

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to great audiences, not as a priest, but as a sympathetic Christian who had the amelioration and enlightenment of the enslaved African race deeply at heart. In other European capitals, too, he found ready welcome, and churchmen of every denomination were found cecupying the same platform with the prelate who had thrown aside Romish robes and forms to step up to the higher plane of human brotherhood. Rome showered honors upon him; Leo XIII beatowed on him the red hat of a cardinal; he was even named as a future possibility for Pope; but Lavigeric cared little for such titles and distinctions. With the true spirit of the missionary, he held as more precious than all else, the work on which he was engaged in Africa, and to him the sands of the desert and the blast of the simonon were more welcome than the marble courts of the Vatican and the cool perfumes of its Italian gardons. He formed a band called the "Brothers of the Sahara," whose mission was to combat slavery, protect the oppressed, and establish refuges for the sick and the fugitive.

establish refuges for the sick and the fugitive.

Lavigerie's name will live as that of a philianthropist and benefactor of the colored race, entirely independent of his eminence as a prelate and his ability as a statesman. His death is a serious loss to those who are laboring for the suppression of the slave system in Africa.

# A GREETING SONG TO OUR RROTH-

We send you a greeting, our brothers, Our brothers over the sea, Who have sailed away to that sunny land, Its light and blessing to be.

We have heard of your safe arrival, Of the work you have chosen to do, Of the little ones gathered together To hear the truths old and yet new

We ask for God's blessing upon you,
As we lift our voices in prayer,
And by faith we know you receive if,
Though we worship not with you there.

The harvest is great, let reapers be many; May ye sow and bountifully reap; May your lives be long and useful, And mourned your eterns! sieep. Mas. N. F. Mossetz.

OLLA PODRIDA.

4 Don QUIXOTE."—In the 227 years since the last part of Don Quixote was published, 1,324 editions of the work have been published, 628 of which have been Spanish, 304 English, 179 French, 18 Swedish, 9 Polish, 8 Danish, 6 Russian, 5 Greek, 3 Roumanian, 4 Catalanian, 1 Rascous and 1 Latin

THE FIRST OVERSHOES.—The first pair of overshoes brought into the United States were imported from Rio Janeiro in 1830. They were a rough pair of India rubber "gunboats," painted and gilded like a Chinese pagods, and were sent as curiosities to a New York gentleman by a representative of a wholesale sent as curiosities to a New York gentle-man by a representative of a wholesale house doing business in what was then the great American Empire. Friends of the gentleman when inspecting his odd rubber shoes, expressed a desire to own a pair of such oddities; and in 1832 twenty-seven pairs were imported by New York and Boston people. The next year the importations numbered 300 pairs and each following year the trade increased.—[St. Louis Republican.

States Bureau of Printing and Engraving is a great establishment. According to the annual report just issued, the following is a summary of its great work: 13, 284,494 sheets of United States bank, notes, treasury notes, gold certificates, bonds, and national bank notes, of the faces value of \$709,760,800; 38,486,196 sheets of internal revenue stamps, worth over \$154,000,000; 29,625 sheets of customs stamps, containing 2,033,250 stamps, and 2,015,123 sheets of drafts, checks, certificates, etc., together with miscellaneous work for the various departments of the government, costing \$3,750. The aggregate value of this work was more than \$889,009,000, and it was performed without the loss of a single dollar to the Government.

### Vanishing Animais.

Cardinal Lavigerie's Life-Long Crusade Against Africa's Accursed

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With the death of Charles Martial Allemand Lavigerie's before him the grave fact that mother church will stand by us, we will plant the A. M. E. church as solidly in Africa as the rock of Gibratz. Witts soon, pray for us, come early.

G. D. D.

A Letter From Trialdad Spain.

Let our ladies and sisters, see what a good lady in Spain proposes to do for African Missions. God save such augicing two mome. Yes, alter, we will send you authority to help in the good cause.

No. 26 Edward St., Port of Spain.

Triffican D. Dec. Id. 1892.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D. D. L. L. D. Right Reverend Sir: I respectfully be for the church and at long the come inform you that I am a subscriber to the Christian Recorder, and feel deep it in form you that I am a subscriber to the Christian Recorder, and feel deep is an any of your unfathomable efforts to evangelize that the following the residence of the Christian Recorder, and feel deep was an and of your travels to Africa, and seed and the content of the Christian Recorder, and feel deep was an and of your travels to Africa, and seed and the content of the Christian Recorder, and feel deep with the same impressed with the horrois of the same impressed with the horrois of the same impression.

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### THE VOICE OF MISSIONS

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W. B. Derrick, D. D. Bishop A. Grant, D. D. Bishop J. A. Handy, D. D. Rev. John C. Brock. Rev. J. B. Stansberry, D. D. Rev. R. M. Cheeks, B. D.

### SALUTATION.

"Behold I stand at the door and knock." (Bang! Bang# Bang!!!) "If any man hear my voice and ope

the door. I will come in to him, and will sup with him and he with me."

"He that hath an ear, let him hea what the spirit saith unto the churches." (Did I hear a voice say, "Come inf" Thankal)

Good morning, or evening-whichever it is. Please excuse me for intruding upon your privacy, as I do not wish to annoy you. I know I am a stranger to best powder at my command. I do your acquaintance and friendship in the trust my vocation will entitle me to. kind, my business will commend itself to your approval and support.

My name is VOICE OF MISSIONS, I operates in the A. M. E. church, born of the Missionary Board, delivered by Dr. just Pontius Pilates as will use me, and not pay for me, and thus become crucifled, dead and buried. But, if such will rise again and ascend into th right hand of the future church, when greater and holier men shall direct our branch of the Christian church, if the present manage a prove themselves incompetent, which God forbid!

If you will accept, it is my purpose visit you once or twice a month, and coupsel with the husband, wife, children and such visitors as may perchauce be come twice a month, the intelligence I cost you 50 cents a year, but if I come twice a month, I will endeavor not to make it cost over 85 cents a year, and 75 cents if possible. Every time I come, however, I will be laden with beaut'e and good things such as flowers, grapes, figs, pomgranates and other lusciou fruits, with silver, gold, diamonds, and indeed, all of the gems and precious in the twelve foundation pillars of e New Jerusalem, which bear the name of the twelve apostles of the Lamb, so beautifully described in the 21st chapter of the book of Revelation.

I will also converse about the condi tion of the A. M. E. church at home and what she is doing abroad. I will bring you letters from our missionaries in Africs, West Indies, South America and elsewhere. I will tell you about the converts God may give them, the num ber who join the church; what schools may be established and the pupils who may attend them; I will tell you what furthe

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out the domain of that great contli gardless of the right or wrong in in the case. I shall tell you about the West India Islands and the four million of our people living upon them. I will bring you letters from time to time from the three traveling presiding elders, which we have there organizing our church, and will also bring you missionary tidings of the various Christian churches in China, India, Japan, Siberia, the Pacific Islands and elsewhere, and show you what God 18 doing thorough the agency of man for the redemption of the world.

I shall also converse with you about whiskey in every form, and the curse of liquor drinking. I will occasionally talk about race and color prejudice, and the shameful hypocrisy which prevail in our so-called courts of justice. I may occasionally bring you a good sermon, so that when you are too lazy to wash, dress, comb your hair and go to church, you can sit at home and either read, or have some one read a good sermon for you. Dr. Talmage says I may have his, and even the type-setting shall cost me nothing. I wish a dozen of the A. M. E. ministers would also furnish a good sermon, and pay the cost of putting it in print. It would greatly add to their popularity and influence, and enable them to reach thousands they could nev er reach in their own churches, but I fea they will be too stingy to do so, althoug they are abundantly able. I shall visit the sanctums of the newspaper fraternity, such as the Christian Recorder, Quarterly Review, New York Age, Detroit Plain dealer, Cleveland Gazette, Chicago Appea and any others who may desire my presence I shall endeavor to be courteous and re-spectful to them, but should they unjustly animadvert upon my mission, principles ally for every person reached, which I shall endeavor to be courteous and or position. I shall shoot back with the you, but I hope to have the pleasure of propose to deal in slander nor to hurl and valuable a work. Certainly no one can feel in the face of such facts that missiles at the unfortunate, whether they near future. You may suspect that I am belong to the ranks of the masses or the a tramp-well, possibly you are correct, mrhistry. I am no buzzard, and have no for I propose to travel a great deal as I special reliah for stench and carrion: shall acquire strength, gain patronage I would rather bless than curse, build up and receive such encouragement as I than tear down. Yet, worthless, lazy, ignorant, dishonest ministers will receive am sure if you are in any respect consid- but little mercy at my hands, especially erate, and desire the betterment of man- if that dishonesty should consist in using and thus profiting by me, and not paying for me. Should you write a letter and wish me to carry it to the different sec was conceived by the Holy Ghost as it tions of the globe where I may visit, please do not make it too long, but you may write it as pointedly, terse and as forcibly as you can. Should it consist of a diarrhoea of words and a constips tion of thought, I may throw it into the waste basket, as I have no means of sub sistence beyond the support given by my should be the case, on some third day I friends and patrons; and if I carry any free luggage around with me, it must be very valuable, as it will cost much to travel all over the United States and visit Canada, South America, Africa, Bermuda and West India Islands, and other portions of the globe where I may be called for. Should any of your acquaintances desire my presence, I will be quite grateful to have you collect fifty cents from them and send it to C. E. Young my Secretary, or you can address it to my own name, to wit: Voice or Mrs-Stone, 80 Young street, Atlanta, Ga., or to my regular family physician, Dr. W B. Derrick, Flushing, L. I., New York, and should you receive no receipt fo the money sent, from Secretary Young whose sole business will be to keep my books and to account for my finances you can write to Bishop Turner, my Commander-in-Chief, and he will invest

> earliest convenience. Thanking you for this pleasant inter view, hoping your opinion of me is fa vorable, and that our future relation may be pleasant and lasting, and that your life may be long and happy, I now beg to retire and leave you to your meditations. Good bye.

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same. The Bishop, however, will be ab-

sent from home much of the time, and in

at once, but he will always do so at the

VOICE OF MISSE tf

BISHOP ARRETT, our great church sta stician says that 500 colored babies are orn in the United States every day. We

not unusual in ma tively small results each year and declare they do not justify so large an expendithey do not justify so large an expenditure. To the Christian such objections
seem small matters in view of the injunction to preach the groups to all the
world and the promises of rich fruitage
which gem the teachings of the Master.

He judges wholly by material, outward
evidences, for the price of one soul redemend he feels, is too great to he meet. evidences, for the price of one soul re-deemed, he feels, is too great to be measured in mere dollars and cents. He just-ly feels that spiritual results belong to a na ure will fight against i different realm from that of business and are to be tested by broader and more liberal standards. In a materialistic ago, however, Christian Missions, like almost everything else, must, at times, submit to the sordid money-test, and the surprising thing about it is that a century of their thing about it is that a century of their history does present a reasonable justifi-cation even from this low standard. The first Protesiant Missionary Society was organized barely 100 years ago. Now over 200 of them are at work in all parts of heathendem, with a force of 6,000 for-eign and 20,000 native missionaries, occupying 500 separate fields and maintaining 20,000 Mission stations. This great army of Christian workers minister to 1, 000,000 actual communicants, an average of 50 to every station, have 500,000 children in their Sunday schools, and gather together besides about 2,000,000 tion from a great distance. The remainthat is annually sent out from Christian lands for the davancement of the Christian religion advancement of the Christian religion among heathen people gives instruction odi:m among our white friends, is the at H:yti has received.

nious must admit is a even the parsim very small sum, indeed, for so important either mission work has failed or that money given for the great cause of the bishops to the late general conference of in this unkind, yea, harsh terms as we preaching the gospel to the heathen is in Philadelphia. The following is what have been criticised to say the least, it is thrown away. But dollars and cents in such a balance sheet as this form no adequate measure of Christian missions. If there be those whose mind cannot rise do nothingism. Read what the Bishop suffice, but it becomes pitifully weak and little when broader standards are used.

Who shall tell the value to the world of ing to commerce, education, science in go to commerce, education i sumor, but it becomes pitifully weak and little when broader standards are used. Who shall tell the value to the world of the reclamation of the South-Sea Islands from cannibalism to Christianity! How many millions shall be set off against that to measure its worth to the world? In what manner can any proper estimate of the linguistic value of missions be obtained? In all over 250 languages have been reduced to written from merely.

We are happy to say, however, that been mastered. Many of them have been reduced to written from merely spoken language. Dictionaries have been prepared, translations of the Biblic made and a world of invaluable material callested and contributed to the vicinous

collected and contributed to the science of comparative philology. places missionaries have opened up valnable sections to trade and con data of all kinds bearing on the study of man and the effect of climate, fond and environment upon him. Scor.s of instances could be given where missionaries became industrial as well as spiritual teachers, and sowed among savage oations the seeds of civilization what rule shall such dividends be calculated? Who is capable of reducing to sordid cash the improvement that has occurred in many African tribes? that del Fuego, or the great moral and social uplifting that is going on about the hun reds of Christian mission stations in India? Such advancement cannot be measured by money value. All that can be said of it is that it is there, and proves most conclusively the wide-reach ing and incomparable benefits which

### OFF FOR AFRICA.

flow from Christian mission work.

The appeals which come from Africa, some instances may not be able to reply and others which are too personal for publication, have made me decide to return to Africa at an earlier day than I had resolved upon but knowing the condition of the brethren there and the compels me to start at the carliest possi-ble moment. I dislike to large ble moment. I dislike to leave one of the coldest winters we have bad for many years, and return to Africa in the ottest season they have in that co try. The contrast will be very severe and evidently exhausting; but what of it, if I should not be able to stand it? Death is only a question of time anyway, and, in the language of the immertal demands God and the church may impose, and whether we are doing our whole duty or not. I will point out fields of usefulness and direct our Christian workers to the same. I will show you care cliudated it, 750 bables avoid you where you can find immortalily in whorld, and a crown of life in the world come. I will keep you informs of about the improvements made in the provements made in the provements made in the improvements made in the improvement in the improvement in the improvements made in the improvement in the internation of the shares of the charles we resolvted to the street was not running vessels regulations, more particular, we man

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This is an age of min the Christian Churches of the wor'd as casping hands over Mission fields; an or men who gets in the way or reas will be cursed by the vengits progress will be cursed by the veng-ance of the Almighty from the crown of his head to the sole of his feet. Millions of our race are in Africa famishing for

convey to them the message of saivation, and the man or men, who by sion work of our church will be folled and blighted at every step, and Gol and

I shall leave for Africa on or about Fraternally, H. M. TURNER.

### EPWORTH LEAGUE

We attended a convention of the Ep worth League in Trinity M. E. church
South, a few alghts ago, which was
mainly composed of young women and
men, and heard Rev. Dr. Lee, one of the
there not hundreds of preachers ministers of the Southern Methodist church, deliver a masterly address be-Methodist riends and adherents. The \$11,000,000 der of the evening was spent in recita-

similar organization or the ministers tenances of this particular church as

perace Work, Sacred Song, Evangelistic movements and other religious measures have all been vitalized and intensified within the last dozen years, and our church must not be less vigilant.

We have hundreds of thousands of members, who could be put to work if the church would proper; barness them and impose efficial responsibilities. Indeed, scores of thousands would be glad to contribute their services to the advancement of the Redecemer's kingdom, if the church would recognize their worth. Many male-inents, who are morose, acrimonious and sour because they cannot get to be trustees, class leaders, atewards or stewardssess, would render infinite service in other directions if they were legitimately employed, and our were legitimately employed, and our were legitimately employed, and on membership won'd be doubled in a few

membership wou'd be doubled in a few years.

Would it not be well, therefore, to provide, by the adoption of some measure, a pian that would enable the pastors throughout the connection to organize all of these non-official members into associations, working bands or Christian battalions, and give to the said associations or battalions some title or designations which would make them a distinct adjunct to the church, and clothe them with disciplinary authority to work for the salvation of souls?

We suggest that you give such a new

would prefer. The Salvation League of the A. M. E. church.

Let no Salvation League consist of over twenty-fi ur members, nor less than twelve if presible, less than seven by no means. Let the males and females have separate organizations, with the right of the pastor of the church to meet either of the Salvation Leagues at his option, or as many as may be connected with his church. Let no class-leader, steward or treatment of the Salvation League, as they have enough to do in discharging the duties of their espective offices. Let no local preacher or exhorter be a member with the following letter from the only comnews-carries, gossips, slanders or exhibit, it bad teupers. Let any member who shows wrath or insugurates a quarrel or fails to bridle his or her tongue be immended in the following letter from the continent. Alt can see what they say, and for further information with the continent. Let any member who shows wrath or insugurates a quarrel or fails to bridle his or her tongue be immended and there take the African diarely dropped from the said League, d'rica. We can not reply to the bushels shows wrath or inaugurates a quarrel, or fulls to bridge his or her tougue be imme-dia colv dropped from the said League, but not expelled, as expulsion would call for a trial, and throw a firebrand into the of letters upon that subject:

### COMPLAINTS PROM HATTI.

ntion has already been drawn what may be considered the neg the work at Porto Prince, Hayi,

any wrong if we give a few facts show ing how unkind, unjust and untrue at these complaints. Hayti has had the of our scanly means, facts and will show that the charge is groun had the same amount The present pastor, Rev. Ger, received during the last confer ence year the following:

ence year the fe
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church who, during a whole quadrenulal, receive less than who are laboring without murmuring Again, this amount is outside of what the church contributes to assist the pastor

sionary Department, develop spirituality, large number of men and women, who large number of men and women, who lavisit and look after each other in sickness and in distress. ress and in distress.

The A. M. E. church ought to have a their scanty means to assist in the maintained in the maintai ought to adopt the recommendation of the bishops to the late general conference of in this nukind, yes, harsh terms as w

If some of the colored men and whit en too, who have their heads shirgles or shaved and stripped of all hair, understood a little about the science of phrenology, they would bers who executed the job forever. Many ese stripped or naked noddles exhibi protuberances and dents, that tel scoundrels. If the people in general, lows, depressions and projections, which are seen in one-third of these naked heads, no body would trust them; girls would not marry them, old widows would shun them, children would sun would be after watching them, sheriff. them, lawyers would not defend them, school teachers would not instruct the a meal of victuals. These men should get a phrenologist to examine their heads before they have all their hair cut off; for everybody are not fools,

Had God made their bodies and stuck these naked heads upon their shoulders, they would have been charging Him with cruelty, but God has graciously put Dr. Johnson and procure a copy of the covering over their brutal organs, same. He is inaugurating, without a covering over their brutal organs, which show them to be but little more then mere animals, and they have sense enough to let it stay there. It nestion, whether, they are to piti dor scorned, or the barbers who

do it for them, should not be lynched. We saw one of our bishops some weeks ago, receive one of our bishops some weeks ago, receive one of our conferences, and his niked skull showed no governmental Battation, Salvation Alliance, of, as we we his naked skull showed no governmental would prefer, The Salvation League of the A. M. E. church.

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### READ AND TREMBLE.

ng to the Negro race, as well as a Chr lders, deacons, local preachers, effici bers and connection out of existen

As a rule our people do not like per atir in some of our churches. Mr. Glad atone has written something in regard to this subject, and among other things be vere enough on their congregation.
They do not sufficiently lay upon souls and consciences of their hea poa the their moral obligations, and probe the hearts and bring up their whole lives and actions to the bar of conscience. The ministers do not insist upon applying re ligion to a man's private life. But the preaching which I like best-the kind of preaching which mer need most; but it is also the kind they get least. Ministers are afraid of de ing faithfully with their hearers. ministers are too intent on popularity to apply the divine truths to the lives of to entertain or please, rath ion. Personal preaching may not always be pleasant, but "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth." Let us have more of this searching preaching in our pul-

HON EZEKTEL E. SMITH, of Liberta Africa, at present, writes of a number of Africa, at present, writes of a number of gentlemen there who raise from 10,000 to 23,000 pounds of coffee yearly. He speaks of Rev. June Moore, who raises 30,000 pounds of coffee a year, and any that in a few years 50,000,000 pounds of coffee will be raised and shipped from Liberian parts. We believe Rev. June Moore went to Liberia from Texas in 1873. The coffee above referent to it. The coffee above referred to is the finest on earth, and can be sold in the harbors there for 18 and 20 cent : In a few years at that rate, Liberia will receive \$10,000,000 annually other expo ts. If we dared to bet, we would bet the from them, churches would not want Liberia will be the richest spot on carth would be for its size, in less than forty years.

> REV. D. E. JOHNSON, of San Antonio Texas, whose advertisement will be found in another column, evidently neans business. Several copies of the Charter and Constitution of the "Afro Control and Constitution of the "Arro-American Stramship and Mercantile Company," and plans for temporary or-ganization, are upon our table, consist-ing of twenty pages, with provisions for all the officers and the duti Persons desiring to aid in this grand or ganization, would do well to write to exception, the grandest movement of the day, and if he succeeds he will be the It is a mightiest Negro on the American Conti

> > rilous letter charging the Bishops of the A. M. E. Church with being money grabbing tyrants for their own pockets would be regarded as an insult if we did not believe him to be both a fool and a hypocrite. We do not deny that our hypocrite. Bishops love money, and who does not, that has any sense? But, as a body, I believe that they give as much to help the cause of Christ and to clevate humanity as any like body of men in the c nutry. Because you become indignant at one Bishop is no reason why the whole of us should be attacked. You are not worth the salt that goes in your bread,

REV. VINEY, of New Orleans, criticis the Missionary Board for only asking the church for \$15,000 on Easter Subbath next. Brother Viney is right. It is shome before God to ask for such a small we did, we would get nothing. You cont. of the half million of Birmingha there, combined with half attends of our church, combined with half.

NEXT Easter Sabbath, which comes the 2d day of April, for one, and all moneys collected of of missions, and the na all read what the A. willing to do to help save our in Africa, here and elsewhere for lasting perdition.

MRS. CARRIE STEELE-LOGAN IS any in the United States. ago she dreamed of having a large of land and a magoificent brick buil upon the same, and scores of or children in it, being cared for by She regarded it as a call from build an orphan asylum for the the mammoth building erected a parts of the county support

Is South Africa, Loved sle, est missionary institution of the in July and Dr. Stewart has been a gaged in establishing a new of the same kind at Kibwezi. ingstonian mission has been through a serious time during t through a serious time during the train-tion from native to British administra-tion. The Keith Falconer mission is b-ing carried on at Sheikh-Othman, b-the missionaries hope to find a healthic center somewhere in the interior,

Congregational Church of the United States spends seven hundred thousand Sandwich Islands, East India Isl annually six hundred the missions in the United St making o e milion three bun and dollars spent on missions year!

was elected Circuit Court Com by a vote of 26,999, a majority of 35 ver his opponent, a popular and by a plurality of 1,000 over bo competitors. The position is a ju office answering to the English Mar Oh! that th Michigans, where nan cou'd receive a fair v voters who elected Mr. Straker

ONE of the biggest democratic les Cleveland may do so in e can leap

REV. C. S. SMITH, D. D., our gr upon going to Africa and ascending the mighty continent. If he succeeds and feet to pay him homage, reason why success should not crown endeavor, as he has been peculiarly fit spell of sick for the adventure by a lo as which has cleaned his system fr all impurities.

A Fist Island missionary tells Gres ritain that she needs mis Old England. He says that ninety potent. of the Fiji Island population cent. of the Fiji Island powhich is 110,000, are found in c attend worship. That speaks well the methods of the foreign missions.

WHEN you hear persons comp cros, and such a burden to carry, young know their faith in God is velocate. The religion of our Lord Jesu so far from being a heavy cross, is a

REV. R. A. HALL preached a mar sermon on New Year's eve pight congregation in Columbus, Ga.

uxury.

Judge C. A. Ridbrott, formerly of Arkanas, but now of Seattle, Washing ton, writes: "This country has no flambeau of hope for the Negro. While I do not accept your African immigration theory as a remedy for our life, the pulpit and press must sgitate all the time, or else our last civil right will soon be

It would appear from the papers that our white murderers and lynchers have cotten tired of killing Negroes, and have cone to killing one another. The Atlana Constitution reports seven whive men nurdered yesterday. Murdering Negroes seems to have lost its popularity and fresh material it sought. What a parbarous age we are living in:

THE Dames, officers and addresses of the ladies' Mite Missionary Society will be found in this paper. Would that they could spread their organization throughout the Church. If that queen of women, Mrs. Coppin, could speak to our lady members throughout the Church, what a falling in line there would be:

THE KIMG of Samos is determined t his subjects shall be sober. He issued the following order: "No spirituous, risous, or ferment d liquors or intoxicating drinks whatever shall be sold, given or offered to be bought or barrered by any native Samoan or Pacific

Queex Lilino talan, of the Sandwich it is reported, is an earnest supporter of temperance reform. She pays the liceuse fee for a coffee house opened in her capital city by the women's Tem-perance Union, and has basished wines and spirituous liquors from her table and

sionary Department, which will be deter-mined after we return from Africa, should it please God to allow us to return, we shall insist upon the organization of our women, the same as the women of other Methodist churches, who are d ing so much to extend the church.

In this issue, we publish two letter n Rev. George D. Decker, of Sierra ne, Africa. He is one of the honorable, faithful and noble Missionaries of our Church there. Esch letter is then a Missionary sermon. We wish they could be read from every pulpit in

persons in New York City, representing city and begging money from every body to help in sustaining Foreign Mission work. Every portion of the globe is represented by some one of the

to Africa, and mingled with the so-called heathen, and there are more people murdered in this country is cold blood, in one nonth than there are in the same terri-

A REV. BROTHER writes, "Here is my Please send it at once. We ought 'e have had one long since." Our good brother evidently thinks that M ssiens and reason go hand in hand. We think

REV. and DR. ALFRED H. CHASE WILL be far on his way toward Lagow. West Africe, as a Missionary Presiding Elder, by the time this paper is printed. He will be a member of the Liberia Confer-ence of the A. M. E. Church.

A GENTLEMAN representing millions wilter us from London, England, and asks, "If we would put a few steamships between some Scuthern city and Africa, would the people of African descent engage to work up a business between the two countries?" We replied, yes.

REV. THOMAS H. JACKSON, D. D., upon Missions when the VOICE OF MIS SIONS came in. It will be a pr.z.i through-out the connection. God bless it?' Scores of such compliments are coming in

MRS JENNIE SHARP, of Monrovia, Liberia, Africa, brought a young girl with her, and intends putting her in school at Tuskegee, Ala, of which Prof. B. T. Washington is president.

NATUR converts in Japan, with average wages of less than twenty-five cents a day, confibuted last year 427,000 to missions. This lib raility is commendatic. It ought to be a pattern to us

Subbath services a grand programme All the churches throughout the world we trust, will get it in time, West Indies

upon Jay Gould, rather a reply to hi critics. That it contains food for though need scarcely be said.

ed for this issue, we expect to reach

around here squalling out, "No Afr

READ the letter of Miss Parker, Bermuda Island. She is the accomp-lished organist of Dr. James Porter's church at Hamilton. Dr. Porter is vi dently doing a great work.

REV. G. G. VREELAND Sailed free New York to Africa, via Liverp ol, De cember 17th, as the Presiding E'der of the Grand Bassa District, Liberia, Af-

for our Sabbath school teachers that ever emanated from his department. Le the church congratulate itself.

READ the notice of Rev. D. E. Joh

Our of the many applications we have ablest men in the church. surprised, 'but the sun do move. BISHOP GAINES spent his Christma

and New Year in Atlanta, Bishop Grant spent his in San Antonio, Texas. THE New Orleans Med cal University

gives free fuition to such young men are preparing to go to Africa. Many thanks to the general manage for a reat gilt copy of his new hymn

book as a Christmas gift. HOW PEOPLE USED TO LIVE.

Wages and the Cost of Living in This Country 100 Years Ago.

Country 100 Years Ago.

The Department of Agriculture is about to publish an interesting report, comparing the cost of living early in this century with what it is now. It exhibits vividly the contrasts between the poverty of primitive agriculture and the progress in civilization and wealth resulting from high development of all. the possibilities of land and labor in rural and industries arts and industries. The small wagre paid in those days are as surprising as the low prices of commodities of all sorts.

Game was abundant early in the century and therefore cheap. Yenison costs 1-8 centra a pound. Bear meat was very slightly higher. Pigeons were in extraor

gregation in factories, classification and division of labor and invention of labor and invention of labors saving processes and appliances. Prices of farm products fluctuated greatly, according to local scarcity, which could not be mitigated by distribution from the regions of plenty. If there were big crops they could not be sold; if partial failures there was nothing to sell. Every locality, in its industries and products, existed for and by itself, having no relation with other communities; therefore the surplus production of each farm warmall, the inducement to produce being wanting, and there was very little money to produce anything more than the bare necessaries. The industrious family had an abundance of everything it could grow, such clothing as the loom of the flousehold could produce, such furniture as could be made on the place or in the neighborhood, and little lac.—[Washington Star.

MAYON GRANT, OF New York, has re-

Liberis, Africa, brought a young girl with her, and int ads putting her in school at Tunkegee, Ala, of which Prof. B. T. Washington is president.

This printers in our last issue made us say Dr. W. T. Johnson instead of Dr. H. T. Johnson, and Mrs. Josephine Rhodes instead of Sophia Rhodes. Well, these mittakes will happen.

Ref, William Collins, of Fort Walne, Indians, was the first minister to sell his thirty-five V.ccc of Missions, and promptly returned the money. May his name live forever.

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"In these Columbias (Imes," said a wall-known Missouri estatesman, "I cannot avoid recalling a story published in a London newspaper some twenty years ago, as having come from a school in the Midlanda. The marter told the boys of the third class to write short essays on Columbus. When the essays were called for, one ambitious young man handed up a document, as near as I can recall it, which read like this:
"Columbus was a man who could make an egg stand on end without breaking it. The king of Spain said to Columbus: "Can you discover America!" 'Yes,' said Columbus, "If you will give me a ship." So he had a ship and sailed over the sas in the direction where he thought America ought to be found. The sailors quarrelled and said they believed there was no such place, but after many days the pilot called to him and said: "Columbus, I see issel." Then, that is America," said Columbus. When the ship got near, the land was full of black men. Columbus said: 'I stais America' 'Yes,' it is, said they. I suppose you are the niggens? 'Yes,' they said; 'we are; and the chief turned to his men and said: 'There is no help for it; we are discovered at last.' "-St. Louis Republic.

her."
Husband—"Hum! Why not?"
Wife—"I know you!! admire that new dress of hers, and it will only worry you to think what a ridiculous fluss you made over the bills for this cheep thing I've got on."—New York Weckly.

Little Johnny—"I guess I'll get rid f that dog I found: Ho's toe much of fighter. He's always hurtin' other dogs."
Fond Mother—"My little cherub does
not like to see the poor dogs hurt, I

Little Johnny—"No'm, 'cause some of the other dogs is owned by bigger boys than I am,"

Future Comfort.

Little Ethel—"Regie Rex and I is go-in' to be married wen we grow up." Nurse—"I thought you didn't like Regie."

Little Ethel—"I don't; but married men are never at home, and I'd rather have him away all the time than any boy I know of yet."

No Mistake.

Egyptologist—"They had newspapers ancient Egypt."
Host—"Well! well! Did you find ne!"

Egyptologist—"No, but we found a fossil roach and a petrified office towel.— New York Weekly.

Don't Believe It.

All Settled.

Little Johnnie—"I quees als has cepted Mr. Newcomer."
Little Sister—""Aby i"
Little Johnnie—"He hasn't given any candy for a week, and yesterday kicked the dog."

A Splendid Institution.

The spring term of the North Georgia Agnetitural College, at Dahlonega, Ga., opens the first Monday in February. The college is a branch of the State University, and is one of the best schools for boys and gisls in the South. The military training is in charge of a U. S. army officer, detailed by the Secretary of War. Each senator and representative of the state is entitled to, and requested to appoint one pupil from his district or county, without paying matriculation fee, during his term. Information can be had by addressing the Secretary or Treasurer Board of Trustees.

Woman is a man's conscience, and it is good thing for him to have his conscience a

Everybody ought to know, if they don't, that a disordered liver, stomach or bows is respon-sible for a multitude of allments. Remedy Bile Beans Small.

They act on the bile and liver. Small Bil

FOOD MADE ME SICK

back, I ate heartily with— C. C. Aber, out distress, gained two pounds a week. I took eight bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and never felt better in my life.

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The Africans Love Books.

Hon. H. W. Grimes, Altorney General of Monrovia, Liberia, in the closing paragraph of a personal letter to the editor of this paper, says:

"The impression prevails in the United States that the African is illiterate and hopelersly stupid; but while I am clesing the letter that I have written you this evening, I can hear, going on in my dialog room what is going on in the native towns around -us. My "Soys" are giving and receiving their nightly less cans. The cook is teaching the house boy how to read and write the Arabic and Vey languages; and the house boy, who attends a school in the city, is tesighing bim to read and write the Arabic and vey languages; and the house boy, who attends a school in the city, is tesighing to increase the number, when they can make time, but nothing beyond a controlling necessity is permitted to interfere with these nightly lessons, and they salmost always have,a book, or some paper and a pencil in their poekers, and utilize every sparse moment to conver the tasks that engage their attention at night, and I find it difficult to keep them from ornamenting my walls, floors, etc., with Arabic and Vey characters. So you see, if the African is illiterate, he will not be so long."

Nineteen babies in New York City were named after Columbus during the week following the celebration. So says an authority.

Will you allow me space in the col-umns of your valuable paper to give your many readers a short account of what we are doing in the "lales of the

what we are doing in the "Islas of the Sea?"

Since Bishop Turner left us many have been added to the churches throughout the Island, especially 15 St. Paul's, Hamilton. Dr. Porter is laboring very camestly to win souls for Christ.

On Christmas Day services commenced in St. Paul's at four o'clock in the morning and continued throughout the day. Collections were lifted at the close of each service to liquidate the debt of the church, the Sabbath-school cam? to the front and rendered their assistance with a good amount for the same purpose.

On Monday evening the 20th, the choir of the same edifice gave a grand sacred concert in aid of the building fund. The programme was well rendered.

At the departure of the "old year," services were held in the different churches. At St. Paul, Dr. Porter preached a very impressive sermon, taking for his text, the Sth and 9th verses of the 13th chapter of the Gospel of St. Luke.

On New Years day the morning service wast conducted by the pastor, Dr. Porter, in the evening by Rev. George Thompson, both of whom preached elequent sermons, the former taking his text from the 3rd chapter of St. Luke, 25th and 26th verses, the latter from the 1st epistle of Corinthians, 3rd chapter and 11th verse.

The annual prayer meetings are being neld. We trust that success will attend

them.

A district Conference of the A. M. E. church was held, for the first time in Bermuda, at 8t. George, on Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 27th and 28th, Dr. Porter, presiding elder, presided. The Revs E. A. North, J. E. Dover, J. W. Sherrett, S. J. Simmons, A. Richardson, Mesar, J. H. Simmons, C. Stowe, Chas. Groen, J. Fubler, C. Fubler and J. Talbot represented the different points of the work. Several friends of the other parishes were present.

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Excellent papers were read. A deal of interesting business was transacted to further the interest of the churches. Rev. J. E. Duver preached the efficial sermon with much eloquence. Votes of thanks were tendered to Dr. Porter for the able manner in which he presided over the meeting also to the pastor and friends of St. George's for their liberal hospitality. The meeting was then brought to a close.

Oc. Christmas afternoon the annual gathering of the A. M. E. Sabbath school of Crawl and Flatte was held. The children, about 200 in number, assembled at o'clock. The church was crowded to excess. A specjal program was arranged.

the pastor, Rev. J. E. Dover, prgsided. In-teresting essays on the "Birth of Christ" were read by two teachers and several of the senior scholars. Mrs. Dover, Miss Burgess and others rendered solos. The Christmas and New Year services at the Shelly Bay church were largely at-tended.

tended.

Rev. Dover is earnestly working for the upbuilding of his church and flock.

Before closing let me say to the many readers of your interesting paper that the churches of the A. M. E. connection throughout the island seem to be marching on wind.

Hamilton, Bermuds, Jan. 5th, 1893.

# Letter from Rev. E. T. Lewis.

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Lower Bucharay, Grand Bassa, Liberla, Aprica, Nov. 29th 1892.

Bishop H. M. Turner, D. D., L. L. D., 30 Young St., Atlanta, Ga.:
Dear Reverend Father—It is the greatest pleasure that I am blessed with, this privilege to pen your a few lines trus ing that when this reaches you it will find you enjoying the best of health.

I have been quite sick and thought I never would have the opportunity of ever writing you in this life again, but thanks be to God for his kind care and goodness, that he has seen fit to raise me up agalo. I have been in bed for two months unable to move hand or foot with a tumor in my right thigh which came from some offthe leaders of my leg being overstrained and caused a gathering of blood which was very dangerous, but I am something better but not well as the hardness has not all left my leg as yet. As regards the church I cam say that we are still here and are trying, by the help of the Lord to do the very best we can. Respecting our Brother White, I can say for hispart, that he is trying to make a mark here. I hear from Brother Redd, but cannot say anything positive concerning his work, as we live a good distance from each other.

I have taken down the old church's house, as it was not fit to use, and I am trying to rebuild it over. We have got the frame up and are now trying to shut it in with zine. Times are quite hard with us at present and the membership is quite poor and weak. Planks are very scarce in this part. The natives

and weak. Planks are to be our dependent they

Letter from Miss Ada Amelia Parker.

Them and you.

I remain, dear sir, your brother in the bonds of Christian love,

Will you allow me apace in the col-

### PROCLAMATION.

ce of Rome and Foreign Missio sciety, African Methodist Epise pal Church, 61 Bible House, New York.

To the Presiding Elders, Pastors, Officers, Lay Members, Sabbath School Scholars, Supering tendents and Triends, Greeding:

We trust, dear brethren, it is not necessary to employ much argument to convince you that the time has arrived in which some new said vigorous exertions are indispensable for the raising of the necessary funds to carry on our work in the mission fields where we are now operating. Without some effort of this kind it is utterly impossible to accomplish what can and ought to be done. We feel fully persuaded that if the appeal published by the Board of Missions, which has been acsttered broadcast throughout the church, is respected as it ought, it will, under the Divine blessing, enable us to come in possession of suitable funds, not only to afford a more ample support of the missionaries who are now employed and successfully laboring in foreign lands, but it would allow us to give heed to the numerous appeals which are of the most inviting nature for the spreading of the Master's kingdom in other directions, which are eager for our coming. On the account of the inadequeste pecuniary resources we are unable to heed these appeals. We cherish the hope the time is not far when a thorough awakening in this direction will deluge the church and the loud, important demands beeded. As the Secretary of Missions, I call upon you my Christian brethren and friends, dearly beloved yoke fellows in the kingdom of grace, as the professed disciples of Christ, to consider this important crisis and the momentous objects which are now brought before your view. A whole continent to be redeemed from heathen night and be made to see the glorious goapel, happy day! when the Son of Righteouness shall rise with healing in his wings and thereby save a nation from cternal death. As ministers and is ymembers you will acknowledge that you are not your own, but that you were bought with a price and see bound and affecting cries of the deatilute, erying aloud, "Send us the bread of eternal life. Come and tell us about the La

tal souls who are perishing for lack of knowledge and the authority of that God who commands you to compassionate them and the guilt which you will contract if the health of the church should languish, or souls perish by your negligence, or paraimony; consider these things. I therefore in conclusion would again urge upon you, my dear beloved by these boly considerations and enter fully into the work with us, the officers of the department of missions, in making this great and potent work a glorious success, as it is our mighest and only aim with and through the divine guidance to labor for the extension of Redeemer's kingdom.

kingdom.

I am your brother in the conflict for the prosperity and spread of the blesse gospel of the Son of God.

W. B. DERRICK.

A letter from Rev. L. A. Gould, who is laboring at Shaohing, in China, to the Baptiat Missionary Magazine, gives confirmation drawn from experience of the belief which has been rapidly growing for some time, that every heathen country must be evangelized by its own people. The most effective work of the missionary, therefore, would appear to be rather to teach and train native preachers than himself to preach to the people. Mr. Gould says: I returned from my last preaching tour greatly encouraged by the work done by the native preacher, and by the generally receptive attitude of the people. There is no particular eagerness for the gospel, but there is less apparent aversion to the missionary than formerly. I had with me the pastor of the city church and a graduate from the Biblical school occupying one of the city preaching room. I allowed them to have chief voice in the selection of the towns we should visit the wreaching rives in the towns the wery scarce in this part. The natives that used to be our dependence for this article, as they are the only ones that used to be our dependence for this article, as they are the only ones that use to saw, have become very independent since this banboo fibre has comint to the trade. It is something that all can make easy and quick, so they have left off aswing planks, shingles and everything else.

Brother Jas. E. Johnstone, one of the trustees, is all the help, and a moving man in this work. I think if you can, you will do great good hera at this time. Every person is wanting and waiting to see the bishop, and if you canny out will do well to ordsin some one as a general superintendent with full power to have the oversight of the church entire.

You will kindly send me the books asked for in my first letter, and you promised to send them as soon as the missionary board gave you the money. We are in need of them.

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us.

Opportunities for country itineration are limities. With native helpers I have been going about a good d-ai in a boas, doing the preaching and tract selling—mornings in teachop, and evenings in the open air, to groups of scores of people. The evening work continues for two hours or more. The people being at leisure, listen well, and often court-cously bring us chairs and tea.

The payment of the annuity to flood orphans was made at Johnstown, Fenn., a few days ago, when \$20,030 was distributed. Each orphan under sixteen years of age was paid \$75. There are \$71 of them.

# RELIGIOUS READING.

Ne need we fondly traverse back. The ancient centuries through. That with Jerusalen's wendering. We may see Jeans, 100, 0 yean so liked! O ears so deef! To this great teaching list—The wide world cohoes endlessly. With that strange life of Christ!

To all the air as tremuious with His awest words of grace. The rythmic hints of God-like speed In the wild winds we trace; Still in her rocky heart, earth hears The echo of His tread. And listens with a mute delight To all the Master says.

O worlds! ye cannot shine too bright, Nor sing too joyously. Nor up your infinite high-ways March too triumphantly! And some day God may rive me leave To go where visions shine. And the sight of Him and it He did Bhall them, my call the did. — Fixon "Reliques of the Chris

A mong the "Ten Rules of Thomas Jefferson," which include such excellent maxima as, "Never apend your money before you have it." Never buy what you do not want because it is cheep—it will be dear to you, "Never tornote another for what you can do for yourself," "Fride costs more than the great that and cold," "Take things always by the smooth handle," "Nothing is trouble some that we do willingly"—on each of which a long seasy might be a large thirst we do willingly"—on each of which a long seasy might be a large to the same that it contains a deep philosophy and one of constant practical application. It is the secret of a happy life, the essence of the truest and highest Christian experience.

He whose will is in perfect harmony with God's, so that whatsoever comes to him to do he does willingly and beautily, loving it for the sake of the Father who sends it, finds nothing really troublesome, and so lives in perjectual clover. It is sufficient to the predictality. The trouble, very frequently, is that men, even good Christian men, cannot bring themselves to do everything willingly, because they fall to see that everything which they are obliged to do is God's will, and so chafe against it as being mere human compulsion. Thus through their mistaken theories people make the single of the season of the computer of the property of the prop

A good clergyman was once sent for to a wild and changerous part of Australia, on some errand of duly and mercy. He travelled up too poor to be in any great danger from bushrangers or robbers, but as he came bank he had to bring in his seddle-bags a large sum of money not of his own, but belonging to the dying man he had been sent for to comfort. He knew that a dangerous robber was aware that he was riding along this lonely track through the bush with all this money about him, and when he got to one part of the road he felt so frightees that he though a boold. He wanted a little quiet, so he got off his horse and stood by it, with his eyes shaded against hit, praying for frish and course, not to be afraid of the bushranger robbers, and to be guarded against hem. He prayed till he felt calm enough to ride on, and then he mounted his horse, and are ched the town in afrey with the money which he had in charge.

Some time later he was once more called to visit a man on a sick bed, and he had been so a ridd in his ride. This mas had told him he had felt be could not die without confessing that on that day he had followed him, intending to rob and murder him but could get no opportunity.

"What do you mean," said the bushranger: "here were too many of you." "What do you mean," said the bushranger: "here were too many of you." "You were not alone," said the bushranger: "You were not al

but there was a man standing on each side of you."
Certainly there had been no other men with the clergyman in that hour of terror when he cried to God, but it is just possible that God really did open the robber's eyes and show him His angels gitarding. His servant as he went on his dangerous duty, as Elisha's servant's eyes were opened to see cleatisg quardines around his master. But, whatever may be the explanation, God die and his angels to frighten away the robber, and by ac doing he saved him from a great orime as well as the good clergyman from death.—[The Christian Herald.

PREFABATION FOR THE WHEE OF PRAYER.
We think that we excreently desire for ourselves God's best gut's; we tarms tast for
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PHILADELPHIA, PA., May 15, 1893.

To the vestitch General Conference of the African Mahodelis Sphacepus of the African Mahodelis Sphacepus of the Sphacepus of

the great West, by which tens of thousands of the people of our race, in changing homes, will find themselve inconvenienced as to former church privileges. Evidently more money will be required to be expended in the West and Northwest, if we intend to keep abreast of other denominations in providing for the spiritual wants of the people, or even holding our ewn.

Heports from our Missionaries in the Indian Territory, in which there is a large percentage of colored persons (or Afre-Americans,) together with the reports from the newly acquired territory of Oxiahoma indicate that the efforts of the Missionary department of our church must beneforth be directed thither with increasing force and vigilance.

And, finally, we beg to assure the General Conference, and through you the African Methodist Episcopal church, that unless we are wholly at fault in our conception of the favorable and inviting environments of this department, the ever widening field of endeavor, the spirit of; evangelization, which is coming to possess both our ministy and laity, and the more general distribution of missionary intelligence in our coagregations, these all pressage, unparalelled achievements and successed during the next quadrennium.

We confidently look to and trust in the God of battles, by whose grace we shaft do valiantly and assist is winning the world for Christ.

Frakernally yours, Dear Fathers and Brethren, W. H. H., Burrilan, Chaliman. In behalf of the committee on missiona.

NEW YORK CITY, Nov. 17, 1892.
To the Bishops, Elders, Deacons, Preach ers, Officers and Members of the A. M. E. Church and Officers and Members of the Sunday Schools—GREETING:
We, the members of the Missionary Board, seeing the necessity of great effort in behalf of this department of the church, appeal to you to make next Evster Day the day of a great missionary offering.

offering.

The general conference has manned the board with efficient officers, who are filled with zeal and enthusiaan that will, if they are supported, succeed beyond any question. The placing of the Rt. Rev. H. M. Turner, D. D., LL. D., over this department as its president was a wise and judicious act, for there is none better fitted for the work. His ability as an organizer, his love of race and zeal for the redemption of Africa, make him peculiarly fitted for president of this department. The signs of which are being manifested in all the work visited by him, as withinagic touch the work in Africa has aprung into gigantic proportions, and four years hence will find this field ripe for the harvest, and in many respects self-supporting, if financial aid is forthcoming. The Bishop has fully conservated himself to this field of labor.

The election of Dr. W. B. Derrick as Missionary Secretary was an approval of his three years' official career—and also an emphatic endorsay was an approval of his three years' official career—and also an emphatic endorsay was an approval of his three years' official career—and also an emphatic endorsement of his ability to fill this important station in the great churches who have their departments in the City of New York. His business management of affairs commends itself to the entire church. We appeal to you to put forth all the powers in the church to raise at least \$15,000 Easter Day, for we have carefully and thoroughly gone over the field and find, to successfully prosecute the work, fitteen thousand is needed. This money will yield the largest per centum of any money expended by the church. We recommend the use of missionary boxes in all our churches and that these boxes he labelled "The Self-denial Missionary Fund for Foreign Mission."

This will call upon our members to make a sacrifice that they would not otherwise make, and at the same time and hundreds of dollars to the missionary plans that will result in raising every delars asked for in this address. Our church

of the late general conference, as only in this way can the connection be correctly informed of the operations of the de-pertment of missions. To redress this wrong and to give valuable information, we append the following from the pages of the secretary's report as submitted to the general conference and passed upon by the appropriate committee, and ap-proved, to wit:

QUADRENNIAL REPORT OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED FROM EACH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT FROM

mission points in the feet spreecy trict.

Praying the b'essing of the trim apon our entire connection, to the race and the church.

H. M. TURKER, Pesit E. H. BOLDER, W. H. BROWS, H. GRANGE, TALBERT, F. A. HERDERG, R. KRIGHT, F. A. HERRET, F. LAMPION, R. GRARAM, W. H. HEARD, J. B. GYARSHOUT,

### MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

The Department of Missions necessarily lies at the foundation of all church extension and propagation, and no exclesistical denomination is entitled to any respect which is devoid of a fully, equipped missionary muchinery. In the language of a distinguished colleague, Bishop Dickerson: "The subject of Missions is of fundamental importance. The advance and spread of the Redeemer's kingdom, the reaching out of the gospel to take in and embrace the world, is of far more importance than the parceling out of that work which is already firmly established." The demands of this department deserve the best thought, the most skillful as discrepancy of the enterprise are but imperfectly apprehended by our ministry, and understood by our people. If the greatness of the numbers and the depth and urgancy of the need of those in foreign lands to whom, in the providence of God, our Church is called to minister the gespei, were fully known, our apathy would surely give place to the compassion with which the Lord looked down upon the multitude, "scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd."

The time has fully come when broader and more vigorous measures should be devised to satisfy this great and growing demand. Evalve pleas of ignorance, poverty and home wants will: no longer relieve us of responsibility. God holds men as much responsible for what they might have known as for what they do not know. It is a standing reflection of our Lord and Saviour—a reflection, too, that we as a church should profit by—that the children of this world are, in their generation, wiser than the children of light, At this active and progressive day in the history of the Church, when the world is buty with secular affairs, it is more than a censure; in the face of the demands and opportunities of our times, missionary apathy assumes the proportions of a crime.

Africa and the Lidands of the Sea, where the people of our race are found in large numbers, are not the only places.

MILTON, DEL., Dec. 19, 1892.
VEHY REVEREND AND DEAR BESSIOF:
If I may, please your honor, be allowed, I have to inform you that I have been consulting Youck of Missions to-day, hviling from No. 30 Young street, Atlanta, Ga. I have found her a lady of polished culture and refinement. She talks as a lady of matured age and experience. She shounds with the noblest information and inners is with the art. morality and education. God bless editors, associates, supporters, and good combined. I will be active in interest. My subscription has gone the office.

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